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The United States Marshals Service, Eastern District of North Carolina, announces the arrest of TYRONE SINCLAIR RICE, age 27, of 2708 Bunche Street Wilmington, NC. RICE was wanted for two bank robberies that occurred in Wilmington, NC.

The Wilmington Police Department Criminal Investigative Unit investigated the two bank robberies and on January 29, 2003 and March 4, 2003 arrest warrants were drawn charging RICE with each bank robbery. In January, 2005 the United States Marshals Service Violent Fugitive Task Force Wilmington, NC accepted the case and started looking for RICE.

The U.S. Marshals Service and Wilmington Police Department partnership (Violent-Fugitive Task Force) conducted an intensive fugitive investigation that spanned the East Coast of the United States. Through this investigation it was learned that RICE was living in New York under an alias name of Lamont Washington. On August 24, 2005, members of the Wilmington, NC Fugitive Task Force, including both the US Marshals Service and Wilmington Police Department, flew to New York and joined forces with the Northern District of New York U.S. Marshals Service Capital District Fugitive Task Force in an attempt to locate and arrest RICE.

Today, May 11, 2005, at approximately 9:30 AM the United States Marshals Service Fugitive Task Forces of New York and Wilmington, NC working together located RICE at Yates Village 2540 Van Vranken Ave Apartment D-13 Schenectady, NY and arrested him without incident.

Following this arrest the Wilmington Police Department Task Force Member was then able to conduct an extensive interview regarding their ongoing criminal investigations from Wilmington, NC. RICE will be booked into Schenectady County Jail awaiting extradition back to North Carolina.